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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 147  
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A RESOLUTION To congratulate Caitlin Robinson of Memphis on being named a finalist for the 2001 Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

WHEREAS, Members of the General Assembly are pleased and proud to honor those young Tennesseans who give unselfishly of their time and energy to serve their communities through volunteer efforts; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Robinson, an esteemed resident of Memphis and a Junior at Lausanne Collegiate School, has achieved recognition for exemplary volunteer service by being named a finalist for a 2001 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award, presented by The Prudential Insurance Company of America in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the winners of the Award, the judges acknowledge the contributions of the finalists in the competition for their outstanding community service activities,

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based upon such criteria as personal initiative, creativity, effort, impact and personal growth; each Distinguished Finalist receives an engraved bronze medallion; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Robinson was named a Distinguished Finalist for the Spirit of Community Award by the judges; she received this recognition for her role in creating "Hugs for Health," a program in which volunteers make regular visits to nursing homes to serve as companions to the elderly; and

WHEREAS, The viability of our lives together as citizens of Tennessee and of our local communities, as well as the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Caitlin Robinson who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations to acknowledge the contributions of our best and brightest young people; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this legislative body hereby congratulates Ms. Caitlin Robinson upon being named a Distinguished Finalist for a Prudential Spirit of Community Award, recognizes her outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership and community spirit, and extends to her our best wishes for happiness and every success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.